

I. Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A seat belt retractor Rotating-tensioner for a safety seat belt including a pretensioner, especially for use in motor vehicles, comprising: a belt retractor a belt retractor housing, a the belt shaft 13 spool rotatably mounted to the housing and attached to of which supports the safety belt, the belt spool being configured to rotate belt winding and rotates in the take-up a retraction direction of the safety belt when a gas generator, the tensioning-drive (22) coupled to the belt spool by a tube, shaft is activated, wherein released, whereby the belt spool shaft (13)-as-tensioning-drive is attached to associated with a drivewheel (16) with recesses on the periphery thereof for accepting mass bodies (25) acting configured as a drive means for pretensioning the safety belt, and the mass bodies (25) are being stored in a the tube (17), which and arranged to tangentially flow[[s]] into the drivewheel (16), and the mass bodies are being accelerated in the tube (17) by means of a the gas generator arranged at one end of the tube, and characterized-in-that
the tube (17) is arranged with includes at least one straight section (18) extending in a parallel direction to the belt shaft (13), spool between the opposing housing arms (12) sides of the U-shaped belt retractor roller housing, (11) and extends with further including an a-straight end section (19) running in the plane of the drivewheel (16) in-a-tangential-direction-to-the-drivewheel (16).
2. (Currently Amended) A Rotating-tensioner seat belt retractor according to claim 1, characterized-in-that wherein the tube (17) for the a belt roller retractor

housing (11) ~~with~~ includes a rectangular cross section ~~and~~ is arranged in an outer corner region of the belt roller retractor housing 11, and the end section (19) of the tube (17) is being attached by a bend to bent off from the straight section (18) located between the housing sides arms (12) and guided to the drivewheel (16).

3. (Currently Amended) A Rotating-tensioner seat belt retractor according to claim 1, ~~wherein~~ or 2, characterized in that the tube (17) is configured U-shaped in a U-shape comprising two straight sections (18) located between the opposing housing arms (12) sides of the belt roller retractor housing (11) ~~with~~ and one bent section (21) running in the plane of the housing arm side (12) opposite the drivewheel (16) arrangement.

4. (Currently Amended) A Rotating-tensioner seat belt retractor according to claim 2 ~~3, wherein~~ or 3, characterized in that the two straight sections (18) of the tube (17) are each arranged in two adjacent outer corner regions of the belt roller retractor housing (11).

5. (Currently Amended) A Rotating-tensioner seat belt retractor according to one of the claims ~~claim 4 3, wherein to 4,~~ characterized in that a receptacle (23) for accepting the mass bodies passing through and exiting the drivewheel (16) is arranged between the opposing straight sections (18) of the tube (17).

6. (Currently Amended) A Rotating-tensioner seat belt retractor according to one of the claims ~~claim 1, wherein to 5,~~ characterized in that a feeding element (24) ~~that feeds-~~ configured to feed the mass bodies into the recesses of the

drivewheel the mass bodies that are driven through the tubular end section of the tube (19) is arranged on the open end of the tubular end section (19) that runs in a tangential direction to the drivewheel (16).

7. (Currently Amended) A Rotating-tensioner seat belt retractor according to one of the claims claim1, wherein to 5, characterized in that the tubular end section (19) running in a tangential direction to the drivewheel (16) demonstrates includes a deformation (31) introduced into the in a wall (30) of the end section, this the deformation being configured with such a radius such that the mass bodies that are driven through the end section (19) and run across the wall (30) of the end section (19) via the deformation (31) and are fed into the recesses of the drivewheel (16).